

Board of Education Business Meeting Minutes – March 16, 2006

BOARD OF EDUCATION: Tina Mackay, President PRESENT  
Guy Cohen, Vice President  
Trustees Mary Maus, Frank Reale and  
Marie Zarcone

ADMINISTRATORS: Gary Tutty, Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. Barbara Fuchs, Assistant Superintendent for  
Curriculum and Instruction  
Paul Lee, Assistant Superintendent for  
Business and Finance  
Raymond Cooper, High School Principal  
Edward Hallisey, Middle School Principal  
Jamie Edelman, Elementary School Principal  
Nick Bellantoni, Director of Operations

OTHERS: Larry Kennedy, PTA Representative, Donna Oomens,  
PTSA Representative, Reporter from the Putnam County News  
and Recorder, staff from the Putnam Valley School  
District and community members

Ms. Tina Mackay convened the Business Meeting at 7:02 p.m. CONVENE  
MEETING

On motion of Ms. Mackay, seconded by Mr. Reale, it was APPROVE  
resolved, to approve the minutes of the Work Session of February 2, 2006 MINUTES  
and the Business Meeting of February 16, 2006. Motion carried 06/184  
unanimously.

Ms. Mackay announced the Treasurer's Report for January was posted in the  
Business Office and available for anyone wishing a copy.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS OF GENERAL INTEREST**

**PRIDE IN PUTNAM VALLEY**

Pride in Putnam Valley recognized the Make A Difference Club members and their advisors for their efforts with the Hurricane Katrina Relief fundraisers.

There was a revised budget review and analysis for the High School, Middle School and Elementary School. The budgets for Special Education and Curriculum and Instruction would be presented at the April 6 Work Session.

Mr. Gary Tutty, Superintendent of Schools, gave an update on the Elementary School Building Committee. Also mentioned was induction ceremonies for the National Junior Honor Society, the Mu Alpha Theta Honor Society and Mrs. Wilson’s 3<sup>rd</sup> grade play.

Ms. Lisa Micelli from the Putnam Valley Education Foundation gave an update on the Foundation’s fundraiser which raised \$8,000.

Dr. Barbara Fuchs, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, updated the Board on staff development and policy review.

Ms. Tina Mackay asked for public contribution on agenda items.

TRANSFER OF MONIES HELD IN SPECIAL PURPOSE FUND FOR ATHLETICS TO STUDENT ACTIVITIES FUND On motion of Mr. Reale, seconded by Ms. Zarcone, it was resolved, on recommendation of the District’s external auditors, that the monies being held in the Special Purpose Fund for athletics be transferred and held and accounted for in the Student Activities Fund at the Putnam Valley High School. Motion carried unanimously.

06/185

APPROVE 2005-06 HEALTH & WELFARE CONTRACTS ELMSFORD TARRYTOWN On motion of Ms. Zarcone, seconded by Ms, Maus, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the following 2005-06 contracts for Health and Welfare Services provided to resident students of Putnam Valley attending non-public schools within the following school districts, as per the document attached to the official minutes of this meeting and authorize the President of the Board of Education to sign the contracts:

06/186

<u>DOCUMENT #</u>	<u>SCHOOL DISTRICT</u>	<u># OF STUDENTS</u>	<u>COST PER STUDENT</u>	<u>TOTAL COST</u>
#79/06	Elmsford	1	\$708.86	\$ 708.86
#80/06	Tarrytown	2	\$625.00	\$1,250.00

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION FOR PARTICIPATION IN COOPERATIVE JOINT BIDDING

PARTICIPATION  
IN COOPERATIVE  
JOINT BIDDING  
WITH  
SOUTHERN  
WESTCHESTER  
BOCES  
PARTICIPATING  
SCHOOLS  
06/187

On motion of Ms. Maus, seconded by Mr. Cohen, it was resolved, that

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the participating school districts of the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services, adopting this resolution to bid jointly in those supplies, commodities, materials and equipment set forth below.

NOW, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Putnam Valley School District agrees to participate with other school districts of the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Westchester County, New York, adopting this in the joint bidding of:

- Art Supplies
- General School Supplies
- Office Supplies
- Fine Paper Supplies
- Audio Visual Supplies & Equipment
- Custodial Supplies
- Lumber Supplies
- Laser & Ink Jet Toners
- Microcomputer Hardware
- Microcomputer Software
- Office and Classroom Furniture
- Interactive White Boards

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall remain in effect until October 31, 2007.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is agreed that the specifications as presented will be used, and that this Board agrees to bid its required amount of said commodities jointly with other participating school districts in Southern Westchester and the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services. The recommendation of the Purchasing Steering Committee will be considered when this Board acts on the purchase of said commodities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the invitation to bid will be advertised by BOCES in the Journal News in accordance with the provisions of Section 103 of the General Municipal Law.

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE  
2006-07  
SCHOOL DISTRICT  
CALENDAR  
06/188

On motion of Mr. Cohen, seconded by Mr. Reale, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the 2006-07 school district calendar, as per Document #81/06 attached to the official minutes of this meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

GRANT  
PERMISSION  
NON-RESIDENT  
FACULTY MEMBER'S  
CHILD ATTEND PVES  
2006-07 SCHOOL YEAR  
06/189

On motion of Mr. Reale, seconded by Ms. Maus, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to grant permission for a non-resident faculty member's child to attend Putnam Valley Elementary School for the 2006-07 school year in accordance with Board Policy Section 5-G. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPT  
DONATION  
CLUB FIT, INC.  
06/190

On motion of Ms. Zarcone, seconded by Ms. Maus, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept a generous donation of two Lifecycle 9500 HR bicycles from Club Fit, Inc., to be used in the Putnam Valley High School. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE  
CSE/CPSE  
PLACEMENTS  
06/191

On motion of Ms. Maus, seconded by Mr. Cohen, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve CSE/CPSE placements, as per Document #82/06, attached to the official minutes of this meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE  
ADDITIONAL  
2005-06 SPRING  
COACHES/STIPENDS  
06/192

On motion of Mr. Cohen, seconded by Mr. Reale, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to appoint additional 2005-06 spring coaches/stipends, as per Document #83/06, attached to the official minutes of this meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Reale, seconded by Ms. Maus, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Elizabeth Barette to a four-month leave replacement position as a Grade 3 teacher at the Putnam Valley Elementary School, on Step 1BA of the P.V.F.T. salary schedule, effective February 27, 2006 through June 30, 2006 (or sooner at the discretion of the Board of Education). Ms. Barette holds Initial Certification in Childhood Education (Grades 1-6). Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINT  
E. BARETTE  
4-MON. LEAVE  
REPLACEMENT  
AT PVES  
EFF. 2/27/06-  
6/30/06  
06/193

On motion of Ms. Zarcone, seconded by Ms. Maus, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Deborah Carvo to a four-month leave replacement position as a Grade 5 teacher at the Putnam Valley Middle School, on Step 2MA of the P.V.F.T. salary schedule, effective February 27, 2006 through June 30, 2006 (or sooner at the discretion of the Board of Education). Ms. Carvo holds Permanent Certification in Nursery, Kindergarten and Grades 1-6. Motion carried 4 ayes, 1 nay.

APPOINT  
D. CARVO  
4-MON. LEAVE  
REPLACEMENT  
AT PVMS  
EFF. 2/27/06-  
6/30/06  
06/194

On motion of Ms. Maus, seconded by Mr. Cohen, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Rachel Wilson to a four-month leave replacement position as a science teacher at the Putnam Valley Middle School, on Step 1MA of the P.V.F.T. salary schedule, effective March 7, 2006 through June 30, 2006 (or sooner at the discretion of the Board of Education). Ms. Wilson’s Initial Certification in Biology and General Science Grades 7-12 is pending. This appointment is pending clearance by the New York State Commissioner of Education. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINT  
R. WILSON  
4-MON. LEAVE  
REPLACEMENT  
AT PVMS  
EFF. 3/7/06-  
6/30/06  
06/195

On motion of Mr. Cohen, seconded by Mr. Reale, it was resolved, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to take personnel actions, as per Document #84/06, attached to the agenda and official minutes of this meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

PEERSONNEL  
ACTIONS  
06/196

**PUBLIC CONTRIBUTUION PERIOD**

Mr. Larry Kennedy, PTA Co-President, gave a report on PTA activities and Ms. Donna Oomens, PTSA President, gave a report on PTSA activities.

Ms. Tina Mackay mentioned the Education Forum sponsored by Assemblywoman Sandy Galef to be held at the Town Hall in Cortlandt on May 11, from 7-9 p.m. She also mentioned she attended the recent Town Board meeting at which Town Supervisor Sam Davis indicated he wanted to improve communications with the school district.

Ms. Mary Maus reviewed criteria to vote and encouraged all community members to register to vote.

Ms. Mackay announced the Board would move into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

EXECUTIVE At 9:12 p.m., on motion of Ms. Mackay, seconded by Ms. Zarcone,  
SESSION it was resolved, to move into Executive Session to discuss  
06/197 personnel matters. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN At 10:05 p.m., on motion of Mr. Reale, seconded by  
MEETING Mr. Cohen, the Board returned from Executive Session and  
06/198 at 10:06 p.m., there being no further business to discuss,  
the meeting was adjourned. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by  
Gary Tutty  
Superintendent of Schools

Typed by  
Linda Pregiato  
District Clerk